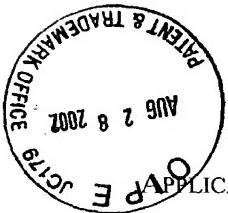


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APPLICANTS: Rastelli, et al  
SERIAL NUMBER: 10/016,253 EXAMINER: Not Yet Assigned  
FILING DATE: December 10, 2001 ART UNIT: 1614  
FOR: METHODS OF DETECTING AND TREATING TUBEROUS SCLEROSIS  
COMPLEX ASSOCIATED DISORDERS

Commissioner for Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

### PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS

Prior to examination, please amend the application as set forth below and consider the following remarks:

#### *In the Specification:*

Please replace the text on page 60, lines 16-18, with the following to reflect the addition of SEQ ID NOs.:

Forward 5'-TCAATGGAACCTTCAGCCTTA-3' (SEQ ID NO.: 23)

Probe 5'-CTCACTGTGAAAGCTGCAGCACCAG-3'-TAMRA (SEQ ID NO.: 24)

Reverse 5'-GAAGGGGTGGGTTTGAAAG-3' (SEQ ID NO.: 25)

Please insert the sequence listing pages 1-10 at the end of the specification.

### REMARKS

In response to the Notice To File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application mailed January 28, 2002, Applicants submit herein executed Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney forms; payment of the surcharge of \$130.00 (#13368) as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.16(e); a copy of Notice to File Missing Parts; Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time; a check in the amount of \$1960.00 (#) to cover the Petition fee; Sequence Listing; Statement in Support of

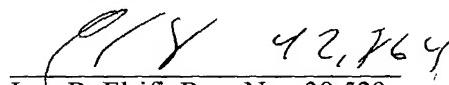
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CRF; Electronic Copy of Sequence Listing; Substitute Specification and Statement in Support of Substitute Specification. The information on page 60, lines 16-18 in the specification was amended to add SEQ ID NOS to the primers. This change is also reflected in the sequence listing provided herewith. This response is due on or before August 28, 2002, with the five-month extension.

The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21402-042).

Should any questions or issues arise concerning this application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned at the telephone number provided below.

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